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John J. Robinson - Editor

ROBINSON COMMITTEE
report
of the
NINTH ANNUAL NATIONAL UFO CONFERENCE
held at the
Captain Logan Hotel
Logansport, Indiana

First Closed Session, June 23, 1972, 2.35 C.D.T.

Temporary Chairman James W. Moseley opened the session with a welcome to all the attending delegates. (See Appendix # 1 Sheet # 1)

Temporary Chairman Moseley then spoke of the events which had occurred since the last Congress, (See Mid-Term Permanent Organizing Committee Meeting, Journal Page # 106; see also Open Letter to the Permanent Organizing Committee from the Robinson Committee, Pages # 107-108; and Mail Vote to Permanent Organizing Committee Page # 109) and informed the Congress that while the Permanent Organizing Committee acting as a Permanent Chairman owing to the resignation of former Permanent Chairman Allen Manak, (See Appendix # 2 Sheet # 1) under Title 3, Article 3 of the By-Laws, had appointed him Temporary Chairman; they had not accepted any amendments to the By-Laws.

Temporary Chairman Moseley then stated that the first item on the agenda for the day must be the nominations for and the election of a Permanent Chairman.

Mr. Gray Barker nominated James W. Moseley for the office, there were no further nominations and Mr. Moseley was elected Permanent Chairman by a unanimous vote.

Permanent Chairman Moseley thanked the delegates and then asked for a minute of Silent Prayer for the Honor Roll of Robert Loftin and Miran Lindtner. A motion was made to add the name of Dr. James A. McDonald to the Honor Roll after the minute of Silent Prayer.

The motion was seconded and carried, it was so ordered. (See Appendix # 3, Sheet # 1)

The Report of the Robinson Committee on Ethics, Correspondence and Membership for the Ninth Congress was then read and accepted as read. (See Appendix # 4, Sheets # 1 & 2)

There were no further reports.

A motion was made to disband the Brasdovich Committee on Projects since this committee had never made any report. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved that the U.F.O. Watch Filter Center still be retained as one of the projects of the Congress, the motion was seconded and carried.

The resignation of the treasurer Mr. Ralph Fanning was then brought up. A motion was made to allow the Permanent Chairman to act in the capacity of treasurer as a temporary measure. The motion was seconded and carried.

The proposed changes to Title IV Membership and Ethics which would amend with Articles 4, 5, & 6 (See Journal Page # 109) was then brought up for discussion. The Permanent Chairman reviewed the Robinson Committee Open Letter to the Permanent Organizing Committee (See Journal Pages # 107 & 108)

Mr. Greenfield then summarized his own views. Since he stated no amendment to the By-Laws had been made at the Eighth Congress with regards to the By-Laws and since the 1970 Mid-Term Meeting had not the power to amend the By-Laws under Title VI, Article 2. without regard for Title VI, Article 3. The By-Laws were in effect not changed with regards to any amendments to Title IV.

He further stated that he felt; that any collection of dues or levy of registration charges and the equitable division of such monies should be in his opinion under the supervision, judgement and authority of the agency sponsoring each given convention and that he so moved. The motion was seconded and carried without any amendment to the By-Laws which remained as originally written before the controversy. This motion now outlawed the motion made at the Sixth Congress of Charlston W. Va. during the Third Closed Session (See Journal Page # 27) on June 20th 1969.

The Robert E. Loftin Award which is presented each year, was this year donated by His Honor the Mayor of Logansport, Ind. Mr Gray Barker presented it after a short speech to Permanent Organizing Committeeman Allen H. Greenfield for his meritorious service. Mr. Greenfield gave a short speech of acceptance.

The next item on the agenda was the question of the membership of the Permanent Organizing Committee. A motion to remove the names of Allan Manak and Ralph Fanning

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who had both resigned along with the names of Edward Biebel and Lawrence Blazey who were inactive was made and seconded. The motion was carried and it was so ordered. A motion to place the names of Eugene Steinberg, Geneva Steinberg, Barbara Hudson and Kevin McCray on the Permanent Organizing Committee was then made. The motion was seconded and carried and the Permanent Chairman appointed them to the P.O.C. There were no bids for the sponsorship of the next Congress and a motion to place this matter in the hands of a committee of three, Greenfield, Moseley and Robinson was made the motion was seconded and carried and the Permanent Chairman appointed them as such a committee.

Barbara Hudson next moved that the word Scientific be removed from the title Congress of Scientific Ufologists. Mr. Greenfield seconded the motion to strike the word from the title of the Congress. The Motion was carried and it was so ordered.

Mr. Greenfield then moved that since the title was less meaningful a new organizational name should be used. A name which would be, still national and congruent. He proposed the title of "National UFO Conference". Mr. Steinberg seconded the motion and after discussion the motion was carried, to change the By-Laws and the Title as of this date to "National UFO Conference". The motion was carried by a 2/3rd vote.

Mr. Greenfield then moved that the By-Laws be amended under Title III. by the addition of Article 11. This Article to read as follows:-

" Any member of the Permanent Organizing Committee not participating in a mail vote taken between conventions, automatically becomes disqualified as a member of the P.O.C. Each participating member's vote must be received within one month after the day the vote has been called for, (Definition of one month to be 31 days) or he will automatically lose his membership in the P.O.C. The failure or passage of the particular question relating to that mail vote will then depend upon the vote of the remaining P.O.C. members."

Mr. Steinberg seconded the motion for the Article and the motion was carried by a 2/3 vote.

Permanent Chairman Moseley then called for open discussion and stated that in his opinion from personal experience on the lecture circuit, interest in UFO's was declining.

Mr. Greenfield then played the tape recorded statements of John Schussler of the Mid-West UFO Network, in which Mr. Schussler states that all the Networks meetings were a tremendous success. Mr. Greenfield contended that interest in UFO's was as great as ever. Mr. Greenfield also stated that active researchers in the Conference should offer their services as local investigators to those scientists who were working in the field. Men such as Hynek, Friedman and Saunders.

The following Conference members volunteered:-

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Mr. Greenfield was appointed a committee of one to write and offer the services of these volunteers.

Kurt Sutherly then reported on an attempted hoax by a person who not only asserted they had a sighting but also offered fake photos of it as evidence.

A motion to adjourn was then made and carried

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Second Closed Session, June 24, 1972. 2.30 C.D.T.

The Second Closed Session of the National UFO Conference was called to order by Permanent Chairman Moseley at 2.30 C.D.T.

The Chair summarized the business taken care of by the First Closed Session and asked for any further New Business.

Mr. Greenfield moved that Title I. of the By-Laws be amended by an Article 2. which would read as follows:-

"The term "Congress of Scientific Ufologists" and "National UFO Conference" shall be understood to refer to the same organization; "The Congress of Scientific Ufologists" applying to all business and transactions prior to June 23, 1972 and "National UFO Conference" applying to all business and transactions subsequent to June 23, 1972.

The motion to amend Title I., was seconded by Eugene Steinberg and carried by a 2/3 vote.

Mr. Greenfield then asked that the question regarding the bids for the next Conference be re-opened for discussion. When Mr. Moseley concured this made a majority of the committee to which it had been turned over to for resolution. Mr. Allen Greenfield then placed a bid for the next Conference for the UFO Observation of Atlanta, Ga.,

Mr. Eugene Steinberg moved for acceptance and the motion was seconded and carried. There being no further business it was moved to adjourn and the Conference ended.

NOTE- See Appendix No 6, Sheets 1 to 3 for Revised By-Laws

See Appendix No 7, Sheet # 1 for revised Code of Ethics for NUFOC.

N I N T H A N N U A L C O N F E R E N C E

JUNE 23rd & 24th 1972

NATIONAL U.F.O. CONFERENCELogansport, Ind.
Captain Logan HotelDelegates in Attendance

Gary Elvers-----Host
 Pam Grandstaff-----Hostess
 Lester Dunkin-----Co-Host
 Gray Barker-----P.O.C.
 Barbara Greenfield-----U.F.O. Observation
 Allen H. Greenfield-----P.O.C. & U.F.O. Observation
 Curt Sutherly-----A.P.S.
 Geneva Steinberg-----Caveat Emptor
 Eugene Steinberg-----Caveat Emptor
 Barbara Hudson-----Independent Researcher
 James W. Moseley-----P.O.C.--Temp.Chairman
 James L. Capots-----Independent Researcher
 Leland Mackall-----Independent Researcher
 Richard Marter-----Independent Researcher
 Paul Doss-----M.U.F.O.N.
 Norman Van Amburgh-----Independent Researcher
 Eduardo Garcia-----OF U.F.O.F.R.I./ Darkness
 Bob Hoagand-----Independent Researcher
 Richard Stim-----U.P.I.
 Kim Torgerson-----U.P.I.

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November 10, 1971

To whom it may concern:

Much has been said of the "Congress of Scientific UFOlogists". Such things as they should disban or they are not as big as we are, or they form many projects and never complete them, or why don't we hear more of them, or they have silent leaders, or what have they done, etc. Well, I would like to say this to all those psuedo UFOlogists-- First, most of the criticism comes from the age group 16-21. Before they were born we were in UFOlogy and, I may add, before they were out of elementary school we had our first "Congress of Scientific UFOlogists" session. I also will interject that the first session was strictly experimental.

Second, it was the largest UFO organization in the world with world membership.

Third, all someone has to do is read the "Journal" to find out the projects that were accomplished.

Fourth, Unity in UFOlogy was established for the first time, over eight years ago, through the "Congress".

Fifth, the "Congress" is a non-profit organization operating on funds usually from the hard-core members and always from the founders.

Sixth, the "Congress" will not fold, no matter how much pressure the USAF or groups that do not want Unity in UFOlogy put on. Because without unity among UFOlogical groups and/or individual researchers, the UFO enigma will fold. Dr. Condon tried hard with his report, but with unity, the UFO problem is kept alive, just like the "Congress of Scientific UFOlogists".

In summation, I resign the post of Chairman and turn this very difficult job over to Rick Hilberg, who is one of the original founders and a personal friend as well as a hellava fighter.

I will continue to act as advisor as long as he permits me to.

Allan J. Manak
Chairman Emeritus

The Congress of Scientific Ufologists

HONOR ROLL

In memory of those distinguished
members whose research has ceased.
Rest from your labours in peace.

Robert E. Loftin - November 21, 1968

Dr. Muran Lindtner - August 29, 1969

Dr. James E. McDonald - June 13, 1971

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The Robinson Committee on Ethics,
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the Congress of Scientific
Ufologists.

The Robinson Committee Report
to the "1972 Ninth Congress" of
Scientific Ufologists held in
Logansport, Ind., on
June 23,24, 1972

Honorable Temporary Chairman, fellow members of the Permanent Organizing Committee
and Delegates to the Congress.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to report that during the past year, I have conducted the following
work.

Transcribed the minutes taken by the temporary secretary at the 8th Congress in
Cleveland, Ohio.

Sent a letter of warning to all the P.O.C. members regarding the dangers and illegality
of the resolution regarding dues accepted by the less than 2/3 vote of the Permanent
Organizing Committee Mid Term meeting of November 14, 1970.

Aided in creating an Ad-Hoc Permanent Organizing Committee meeting on January 1, 1972,
which meeting created and accepted resolutions which would abide by the vote of the
6th Congress, Charlston, West Virginia.

Circulated a mail vote of the P.O.C. for such resolutions as well as for the resolution
of that Ad-Hoc Committee creating Mr. James W. Moseley a temporary chairman to act for
the Permanent Organizing Committee as their choice of chairman. This mail vote received
a full 2/3 approval of the P.O.C. mail vote.

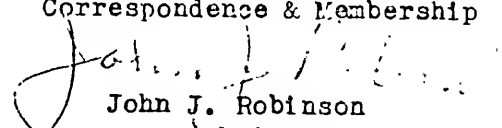
Composed Issue Number Four of the Journal of the Congress of Scientific Ufologists and
caused to be copied and distributed to the members of the P.O.C. an issue of this
Journal.

I have also to report that we have gained during the year only one new member organization.
the Air-Com Mid-West UFO Report.

I have also to report that the treasurer Mr. Fanning has sent me a copy of his resignation
from office after he deposited enough personal monies in the Congress treasury to close
out the account by making a final payment of a debt of the Congress.

Respectfully Submitted by the,

Robinson Committee on Ethics
Correspondence & Membership


John J. Robinson
Chairman

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OF THE
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1967 CLOSED SESSIONS

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October 12, 1971

Mr. Allan J. Manak,
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Dear Mr. Manak:

Since I have not heard from you since the Convention, and since you have not seen fit to forward any funds to the Treasury, I can only assume that you do not intend to carry on with the Congress of Scientific Ufologists.

I have had several letters from Jack Robinson and I can see that he is very discouraged also. I very much feel that we have been most derelict in our duty in not paying Jack in full for the work he did in behalf of the Congress. He certainly did not overcharge us.

I therefore am forwarding a check for \$9.92 to Jack Robinson to close out his account. In order to do this I am making a deposit to the account of the Congress of \$7.92 of my own funds, and as soon as the check clears, the Congress account will be closed out.

Since I have heard nothing from you regarding the Washington meeting, I assume that it is either cancelled or you do not wish my presence there. In any case, please be advised that this letter is my resignation from membership in the Congress and as Treasurer of the organization. I had hopes for a good experience with the Congress but it is not to be.

I am also enclosing copy of a letter which I have sent to the Logansport organization who had been awarded the Convention for 1972. As you will note, I am advising them to drop their sponsorship, for the following two reasons.

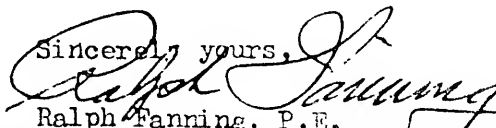
1st, it would seem that the Congress as such is now a defunct organization.

2nd, I helped sponsor the Logansport group, knowing full well that they would need considerable assistance, which I planned to give them.

Under the present circumstances I will not be able to do so, and I feel it is only fair to them that they are advised to abandon their sponsorship.

Mrs. Fanning and I both regret the necessity for taking this action. We have formed many friendships within the Congress and looked forward to our annual Conventions.

Sincerely yours,


Ralph Fanning, P.E.

P.S. I will send a full accounting of my stewardship of the Congress funds as soon as I receive the final statement from the Bank.

NINTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
NATIONAL U.F.O. CONFERENCE

Due to motions which were made and carried by a 2/3 vote of the Ninth Annual Conference of the National UFO Conference held in Logansport, Ind., on June 23rd 1972 the following members of the National UFO Conference are now the appointed members of the Permanent Organizing Committee of the National UFO Conference.

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N A T I O N A L U F O C O N F E R E N C E

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TITLE I. AUTHORITY OF THIS DOCUMENT

- (1) Upon approval of the administrative entity-structure of the Congress of Scientific UFOlogists as appropriate, this document shall serve as the fundamental guideline for direct activities of the said Congress.
- (2) The terms Congress of Scientific Ufologists and National UFO Conference shall be understood to refer to the same organization; the Congress of Scientific Ufologists applying to all business and transactions prior to June 23, 1972, and National UFO Conference applying to all business and transactions subsequent to June 23, 1972

TITLE II. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

- (1) Administration of the National UFO Conference shall be the responsibility of the Permanent Chairman, the Permanent Organizing Committee, other committees deemed appropriate, the administration of a convened Conference, the delegates of a convention of the Conference assembled.
- (2) Final authority is vested in the office of the Chairman of the Permanent Organizing Committee who shall otherwise be titled Permanent Chairman except as provided in Title Three, this document. All administrative intra-structures are of equal rank except as otherwise provided for.

TITLE III. SPECIAL ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURE

- (1) In the event the Permanent Chairman is temporarily unable to continue his responsibilities, he may appoint a temporary replacement.
- (2) In the event the Permanent Chairman is no longer able or willing to continue in his post at the time of the convention of the Conference, a majority of the delegates assembled may elect a new Permanent Chairman, subject to veto by a 2/3 majority of the membership of the Permanent Organizing Committee, acting within a three month period following the election.
- (3) In the event the Permanent Chairman is no longer able or willing to continue in his post at a time other than the time of the convention of the Conference the Permanent Organizing Committee shall act as Chairman until the next convention of the Conference at which time the procedure stated in Article Two this Title shall be brought into effect.
- (4) The term of the Permanent Chairman shall be indefinite, subject to termination through resignation, incapacitation or removal as per Article Five, this Title.
- (5) A Permanent Chairman may be removed from office at the time of a convention of the Conference by a 2/3 majority vote of the delegates assembled, or, at other times by a 2/3 majority vote of the Permanent Organizing Committee.
- (6) Sites for future conventions of the Conference are determined by the delegates in a convention of the Conference assembled, except as they otherwise provide for.

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TITLE III. SPECIAL ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURE - Continued

- (7) Qualifications for delegates to a convention of the Conference, and direct administration of any given convention of the Conference shall be the responsibility of the organization or individual authorized to hold the said convention of the Conference, subject to veto, but not subject to direct modification of the Permanent Chairman.
- (8) Committee posts, etc., shall be determined through normal parliamentary channels within the Conference infrastructure.
- (9) A qualification for a bid to host the Conference must be that the host organization will have attended at least three (3) previous Closed Sessions.
- (10) A qualification for a bid to host the Conference must be that the host organization will have attended the two (2) immediate preceding Closed Sessions of the Conference.
- (11) Any member of the Permanent Organizing Committee not participating in a mail vote taken between conventions automatically becomes disqualified as a member of the said Permanent Organizing Committee. Each participating member's vote must be received within one month after the day the vote has been called for, (Definition of one month to be 31 days) or he will automatically lose his membership in the Permanent Organizing Committee. The failure or passage of the particular question relating to that mail vote will then depend upon the vote of the remaining Permanent Organizing Committee members.

TITLE IV. MEMBERSHIP AND ETHICS

- (1) Membership in the National UFO Conference shall be viewed as an essentially honorary title.
- (2) Membership in the National UFO Conference may be obtained by a formal declaration of adherence to the general principles embodied in the Ethical Code of the National UFO Conference, except as noted in Article Three this Title.
- (3) Memberships shall be unavailable or may be withdrawn from any individual, organization or publication deemed by the committee charged with administration of membership, subject to the review of the delegates of a convention if the Conference in convention assembled. Said delegates may also remove from membership by a majority vote any member entity deemed objectionable.

TITLE V. PARLIAMENTARY CONDUCT

- (1) Parliamentary conduct shall follow the general rules of procedure as outlined in these by-laws, Whitney's Parliamentary Procedure and Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, during closed sessions of a given convention of the Conference, with the addition only of any special ground rules of conduct which the administrative faculty of that given convention of the Conference may deem are required to properly conduct the session.
- (2) Open or public sessions shall follow the general rules of conduct for public lectures or meetings.
- (3) Committee Meetings may proceed as outlined in Article One, this Title, or through more informal means if such is generally consented to.

TITLE VI. AMENDMENT PROCEDURE

- (1) At the time of a convention of the Conference this document may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of the delegates assembled.
- (2) This document may be amended at a time other than the time of a convention of the Conference by a 2/3 majority vote of the entire Permanent Organizing Committee, or by the Permanent Chairman, except, in the case of the Permanent Chairman, no amendment may be made to those Articles dealing with the Permanent Chairmanship itself.
- (3) Amendments effected under Article Two, this Title shall not become effective as actual by-laws until the agency involved has made reasonable effort to notify other appropriate agencies.

Background information, see,

Minutes, 1965 Congress of Scientific UFOlogists.
Tapes, 1966 Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Closed Sessions.
Tapes, 1967 Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Closed Sessions.
Minutes, 1967 Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Closed Sessions.
Tapes, 1968 Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Closed Sessions
Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Code of Ethics, as Adopted-1965
Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Code of Ethics, as Amended-1967
Robinson Committee on Ethics, Correspondence and membership; Report to Membership, 1968 Closed Sessions and Congress.

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Operations Committee 1968 Congress

Further Background information regarding Adoption of By-Laws and Amendments which caused this revised edition of June 24th 1972 to be printed by the Robinson Committee

Title III.-Amended by Article 9, 2nd Closed Session, 7th Congress; June 26, 1970

Title III.-Amended by Article 10, 2nd Closed Session, 7th Congress; June 26, 1970

See Journal of the Congress of Scientific UFOlogists, Page # 59

Title of the organization changed to National UFO Conference see Journal of the National UFO Conference, Page # 112, Ninth Annual Conference, June 23rd 1972.

Title III.-Amended by Article 11, 1st Closed Session, 9th Conference; June 23, 1972
see Journal of the National UFO Conference, Page # 112

Title I. -Amended by Article 2, 2nd Closed Session, 9th Conference; June 24, 1972
see Journal of the National UFO Conference, Page # 113

NATIONAL UFO CONFERENCE

CODE OF ETHICS

(Adopted by the Congress of Scientific Ufologists before title change to the National UFO Conference. Code of Ethics adopted by the Congress assembled in Cleveland, Ohio, June 25, 1965 for the Second Congress of the C.S.U.)

Code of Ethics.

Whereas, the members of the permanent organizing committee are cognizant of the need for a clear-cut statement of principles to guide member organizations and individual ufologists, the following official Code of Ethics was adopted by the majority at a meeting of the committee in Cleveland, Ohio, 25th June, 1965.

Revised June 24, 1972

Whereas, cooperation among member organizations and individual ufologists is necessary to the furtherance of high standards in UFO research, and
Whereas, the free and universal exchange of information is a prerequisite to the eventual solution of the UFO enigma.

It is the sense of this Conference that no member organization or individual ufologist shall arbitrarily inhibit or indiscriminately bar the free exchange of information. NOR shall any such organization or individual take any action which shall have the intent or effect of suppressing such free inquiry.

Neither shall any such organization or individual, whether by word of mouth or in writing, say or write anything which shall have the purpose or effect of discrediting, defaming, libelling or slandering other organizations or individuals.

NOR shall any such organization or individual attempt in any way to impose any specific set of values, whether his own or that of others; or take any steps which shall have the purpose or effect of dominating, controlling, monopolizing or tending to create a monolithic sphere of influence which shall inhibit, restrict, or maliciously interfere with the operation or activities of such organization and individuals.

Supplement "A" - For Editors

We urge that publishers of UFO periodicals refrain from publishing, under the guise of fact, material which they have reason to believe is false. Editors should make every reasonable attempt to determine the true facts in each case. Deliberate falsification is unworthy of responsible UFO researchers.

We disapprove of the use of unsupported assertions, except as these may occur in the course of general discussions clearly labelled as personal opinion. In extreme cases, editors may find it advisable to use such material with special disclaimers.

We recognize the fact that editors, as individuals, are obliged to use substantial amounts of material which they are, themselves, personally unable to verify; specific reference citations should be prominently featured where possible. This option is especially applicable to material which the editor believes is most likely to excite unusual controversy.

We do, furthermore, regard the use of pseudonyms as unfortunate while reluctantly recognizing that they are occasionally necessary.

Discussions of personalities, as opposed to issues, must in no case contravene the Code of Ethics approved by this Conference. Firmly believing that honest controversy is essential to the advancement and progress of ufology, we nevertheless oppose gratuitous conflict.

Amendment "A" - Adopted by the 3rd Closed Session, Hotel Commodore;

New York, N.Y. June 23, 1967. the Fourth Congress.

This Conference disconnects its-self in thought, word and deed from any individuals, groups and organizations; which seek to defraud, exhort from or in any way entice people into schemes; that have only unethical commercialism and similar forms of personal profit as their sole aim.

The members of the Conference will uphold the findings of the Committee appointed to actively involve it-self in the investigation of and pronouncements about such practices, to all members and groups of the Conference

Revised to apply to the National UFO Conference, June 24, 1972.